REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the careful examination of the application, and for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 9, 10, 11, 19, 20, 21, and 22-29. In response to that rejection, independent claim 1 has been amended by including therein the subject matter of claims 3, 8, and 9, thus placing that claim in condition for allowance. In addition, claim 10 has been rewritten in independent form. Furthermore, claim 14 has been amended by including therein the subject matter of claims 15, 18 and 19, and claim 20 has been rewritten in independent form.

In addition, the dependency of some of the dependent claims has been changed and some dependent claims have been added corresponding to dependent claims already on file.

In view of the indication of allowable subject matter, Applicants submit that the foregoing amendments should clearly place the application in condition for allowance.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this amendment, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned attorney so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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